Southern California Council Meeting Minutes 7:00pm, 30 August 2012 Westminster Orthodox Presbyterian Church 10101 Cunningham Avenue, Westminster, California



The first regular meeting of the Southern California Cadet Council in Cadet Year 2012-2013 was called to order at 7:10p.m. by Dave Dalton, Council President and Head Counselor at Westminster OPC (Club No. 1566).

Prayer and Devotion

Devotions were provided by Dave Dalton from Ephesians 3. Dave noted our theme verse comes from this chapter and is of particular importance to him as he prepared for this upcoming year. He reminded the council that we, as members of Christ's body, are His instruments to do His will in this world. This fact should motivate us to excel in whatever comes our way since we know that we are God's hands and His feet in this ministry. If a counselor feels, or encounters, the feeling of "I cannot do this", he need remind himself that God's power through us allow to be victors and fear nothing. We should encourage all counselors to strive ahead; motivated by this knowledge that we are God's workers and we are His workmen.

Counselor Training

Two workshops were held by the council DCEs.

Craig Doty (Head Counselor of Club 1585, Bayview OPC) presented a workshop for new counselors, to assist them in completing the Counselor handbook and become certified counselors.

Reuben Settergren (Head Counselor of Club 1561, New Life PCA) presented a workshop about how to use a Cobra Knot to weave paracord into a Survival Bracelet, and how to make a Buddy Burner. More information on this workshop is provided on our council website, under the "News" tab.

After a coffee break and refreshments, the Business Meeting was called to order by Dave Dalton at 8:30p.m.

Dave noted that a new club, number 1520, has been approved by Corps. The Bridge church, located in Chino, will be having a club for fourth and fifth graders (as a start). Dave Lewis will be assisting this club. Dave Dalton noted that Bernie Gabrielse has been communicating with the church, and offering any assistance that the council could provide.

Roll Call was taken with the following clubs reporting counselors attending:

Number	Name	Present
1503	Anaheim CRC	0
1509	Artesia 1 (inactive)	-
1512	Artesia Trinity CRC	1
1585	Bayview OPC	1
1518	Bellflower Bethany	3
1569	Bellflower Bethel	0
1515	Bellflower 1	0
1521	Bellflower Rosewood	0
1520	The Bridge	0
1531	Crosspoint CRC	2
1530	Chino 1	0
1517	Anaheim Christ Reformed (URC)	0
1536	Escondido URC	0
1539	Long Beach CRC	1
1558	Oasis Moreno Valley	0
1548	The River (Redlands)	0
1557	Hope Riverside	0
1560	San Diego CRC (inactive)	-
1561	San Diego New Life PCA	2
1563	Sun Valley	1
1565	San Marcos CRC	0
1566	Westminster OPC	1

Church name in bold indicates H/C attending

Church information in italics indicates club inactive for the 2012-2013 Cadet year Two at-large council members attended –Gary Evans, Council Vice-President, and George Bell, Council Quartermaster.

Old Business

<u>Calendar of Events for 2012-2013 Cadet Year</u>. Dave introduced this item, noting the action from the 26 April 2012 council meeting drafted this schedule. A question was brought from the floor whether these dates were finalized. Craig noted these dates are final, unless the council determines to change them. Several events were discussed.

- ➤ Wilderness First Aid Course. This item will be discussed as new business.
- ➤ San Diego Pinewood Derby. Reuben Settergren noted that New Life PCA will hold an "open challenge" to all clubs on the Saturday prior to the Council Derby. The dates for both events are 23 March for San Diego, and the 30th for the Council Derby.
- ➤ West Coast Camporee. Bill Mulder (Head Counselor of Club 1512, Artesia Trinity CRC) announced the summer camporee will be held towards the end of July 2013 at Putney Ranch (same location as this year's camporee). He also noted some interest to attend by some of the clubs from Cascade Council in Washington State.

Jim Grasmeyer (Head Counselor of Club 1539, Long Beach CRC), offered to host the November 1st council meeting at Long Beach CRC. Gary Conrad (Head Counselor of Club 1531, Crosspoint CRC), offered to host the February 7th council meeting at Crosspoint CRC.

<u>Archery/Gun Invitational</u>. Paul deVries (Counselor of Club 1518, Bellflower Bethany CRC) discussed some details of the Archery/Gun Invitational. He noted that some difficulties with the current organization of the AGI. The council discussed various options, including running two events concurrently. One would be a "learning" round for archery and marksmanship designed to help the Cadets earn the badges. The other would be a "competition" round for those cadets who have already earned the badge and desire to compete again other cadets.

Another recommendation was for cadets attending the AGI to present themselves upon check-in and verify their knowledge of the safety guidelines for the archery and marksmanship badge.

The council discussed the type of bow currently being used at Field Day. The "Genesis" bow was mentioned, as well as the min-Genesis bow for the younger age boys. It was decided to leave the bows as they are now since Crosspoint provide the bulk of the archery equipment.

Gary Conrad told council members that Crosspoint would continue to provide the bows and targets for Field Day, but noted that several are in need of repair. Rather than buy all new bows for the council, George suggested that Gary provide a count and cost of repairs so that replacements can be obtained prior to Field Day. If other clubs wish to order bows as well, they should inform George NLT 3 November 2012 to help with a group buy. Craig will post the price list onto the website.

The council discussed different air rifles for use by the four age groups. The council decided that A/B would use the Red Rider pellet rifle, which is easier for younger boys to handle safely. The older cadets – age groups C and D – would continue to use the Beeman Marksman (or similar rifle).

George Bell asked if it would be beneficial to order directly from the manufacturer. He said that he had the price list and thought that he could get the council a discount since Cadets is a non-profit organization.

Reports

<u>Congressman Report</u>. Jim Grasmeyer, Council Congressman and Head Counselor, Long Beach CRC (Club No. 1539) informed the council that annual registrations should be forwarded to him by mid-October. He also noted that, included in the annual head counselor package, are forms for submitting proposed changes to the constitution and proposed new badges. Both of which are due by 1 October. Craig read from *The Clarion* where the results of last spring's vote on two proposals are shown.

<u>DCE Report</u>. Craig dates and location for next year's regional conference, which will be in Visalia on March 1-2, 2013.

Quartermaster Report. George Bell, Council Quartermaster, reported on available supplies.

Treasurer Report. Not available.

<u>Secretary Report</u>. Craig discussed the new website for the council at <u>www.socalcadets.com</u>.

New Business

<u>Wilderness First Aid Certification</u>. Gareth Evans, Council Vice President presented this item to the council. He noted that plans are to hold the certification in February 2013. More information will follow.

<u>Next Council Meeting</u>. Dave Dalton announced the next statement meeting of the Southern California Cadet Council will be held on 1 November 2012, beginning at 7:00pm and will be hosted by Long Beach CRC.

Dave Dalton thanked the counselors from Crosspoint for hosting our meeting. Jim Grasmeyer closed the meeting with prayer for the ministry to the boys in our clubs, the decisions and plans made tonight, and traveling mercies at 9:26p.m. Council members closed the meeting by singing the Cadet Hymn.

In service to the King and His Kingdom,

Craig P. Doty